

To our Valued Customers,

Here at the Mezza Luna we have been in business for over 70 years, under the same family ownership. Therefore, we feel a brief history of how the Mezza Luna evolved is in order. Besides, the history of the restaurant is quite interesting.

It all began in 1937, when an Italian woman named Speranza Cubellis, who was in the produce business at the time, decided to move with her husband Leonida Cubellis and their five children, Emilio, Louise, Sylvia, Guido and Gildo to Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts. Prior to this, Speranza had her business in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, but at this time, the produce business on Cape Cod was very profitable, so moving here was a wise investment.

They rented a building for fifty dollars a month. The building was so old that when it rained, more water came inside than outside. In three days, they set up a fruit stand. Business was tough. Main Street was a four lane highway and people had a hard time parking their cars because of how close the fruit stand was to the street.

Then WWII broke out in 1939 and produce, like everything else, was scarce. Luckily, Camp Edwards was in use and the Cape began to develop and prosper. At this time, with so much construction going on, many construction workers needed places to stay, so Speranza began taking in borders, and as the old saying goes "what's a good hotel without a fine eating establishment?" Speranza and her old world recipes began to serve meals to the borders, travelers, military and anyone else who wanted a home cooked meal. Don't forget spaghetti and meatballs at that time was only 35 cents. Imagine that!

Throughout the years, much reconstruction was done. The dining rooms and the Hickory Room Lounge were, at one time, where the Cubellis family resided. And then as time went on, the Cubellis children got married and had children of their own, and they lived here too. Eventually the restaurant was expanding and so were the families, so Speranza purchased the land surrounding the Mezza Luna so that her family would have places to live and land to build houses on, and this is exactly what they did.

Now if you are wondering why the place looks so new, it is because the face of the Mezza Luna was drastically altered on October 20, 2007 when a 7 alarm fire ripped through the building and the Mezza Luna burned to the ground. The Cubellis family struggled with the loss tremendously, but with the unconditional support from everyone in our family and in the town, we rose to the challenge of rebuilding our restaurant. It was a long 15 months, but we did it. Although the old Mezza Luna could not be recreated, we were able to salvage some of the old building and use it in the rebuilding process. We also tried to recapture some of the old nostalgic atmosphere, but it is not easy to recreate 70 years. In the end the building is new, but the family, the recipes and the staff of the Mezza Luna stayed the same. Actually the family got bigger. On November 1, 2007, ten days after the fire, Emilio Thomas John Cubellis III, my son, was born. Emilio's arrival shed a light on our family during a very tough time. He was a sign of inspiration for all of us.

Presently at the Mezza Luna, we are in the third generation of ownership, and everyday we carry on the tradition of Nona Speranza by using the same recipes she used for her sauces and bread. But most of all, we want to give you the same treatment today that Speranza would have given you in 1937, authentic Italian entrees, impeccable hospitality and to feel like you're at home.

Welcome & Welcome Back,

APPETIZERS

Mussels	\$11.95	Eggplant Parmigiana Appetizer	\$8.95
<i>In a garlic & wine cream sauce (enough to share)</i>		<i>Fresh Eggplant layered with fresh cheese & tomato sauce</i>	
Baked Stuffed Mushroom (5)	\$6.95	Tripe Appetizer	\$9.95
<i>With our crabmeat stuffing</i>		<i>With hot pepper flakes and grated parmigiana cheese</i>	
Clams Casino (4)	\$7.95	Littlenecks	\$9.95*
<i>With our crabmeat stuffing</i>		<i>½ dozen on the ½ shell w/ cocktail sauce & horseradish</i>	
Buffalo Wings (hot or mild)	\$7.95	Shrimp Cocktail (4 Jumbo shrimp)	\$11.95
<i>Served with bleu cheese and celery</i>		<i>Served with our own cocktail sauce & fresh horseradish</i>	
Boneless Buffalo Wings (hot or mild)	\$7.95	Fried Mozzarella Sticks (5)	\$7.50
<i>Served with bleu cheese and celery</i>		<i>Served with our tomato sauce</i>	
Eggplant Fries	\$6.95	Chicken Tenderloins	\$7.95
<i>Served with our tomato sauce</i>		<i>Served with honey mustard dressing</i>	
Fried Calamari with hot cherry peppers	\$8.95	Potato Skins	\$6.95
<i>Served with tomato sauce</i>		<i>Loaded with cheddar cheese and bacon</i>	
Stuffed Quahog, homemade	\$4.25	Garlic Bread, 4 Slices	\$3.50
Onion Rings	\$5.95	Garlic Bread with melted mozzarella	\$4.95

PAISANO PLATTER

Share one with a friend

2 Chicken Tenderloins, 3 Buffalo Wings,

3 Mozzarella Sticks and Thick Cut Onion Rings

served with bleu cheese dressing, honey mustard and tomato sauce

\$11.95

Homemade Soups

Minestrone Soup	Crock \$3.95
<i>A delicious combination of fresh vegetables, pasta, ham, and beans in a light tomato base</i>	
	Bowl \$4.95
N.E. Clam Chowder	Crock \$5.50
<i>Thick, creamy and award winning</i>	
	Bowl \$6.95
French Onion Soup	Crock \$5.50
<i>Topped with homemade croutons and melted mozzarella cheese</i>	
	Bowl \$6.95
Chicken & Vegetable Soup	Crock \$3.95
<i>Made with fresh chicken and vegetables</i>	
	Bowl \$4.95

SALADS

Antipasto	for 1.....\$5.95
<i>Crisp salad greens with Genoa salami, provolone cheese, prosciutto, olives, boiled eggs, mushrooms,</i>	
	for 2.....\$11.95
<i>pepperoncinis and an assortment of fresh vegetables (Tuna Fish and Anchovies add \$1.50 per person)</i>	
	for 4.....\$23.95
Caesar Salad	\$9.95
<i>Fresh, crisp romaine lettuce with our homemade croutons, creamy Caesar dressing and grated parmigiana</i>	
Great Hill Bleu Cheese Salad	\$9.95
<i>Fresh Iceberg lettuce with Tomato wedges, & topped with our Bleu Cheese Dressing, Bacon Chips & Crumbled Bleu Cheese</i>	
Chicken Caesar Salad	\$13.95

House Salad\$3.95

*Our Dressings: Homemade Italian, French, Russian, Bleu Cheese, Parmigiana Peppercorn and
Low fat Zinfandel Vinaigrette*